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To Whom It May Concern:

RE: Docket No. FAA-2002-13378 -13

I am writing you on behalf of the World Wide Pet Supply Association (WWPSA) and its 400 plus member companies.

We have recently been made aware of the proposed regulation referenced above. We are very concerned with the lack of time for comments on this issue and feel that a 60-day extension of the time period would not do any harm or prejudice any party or have any other harmful effects. I am sure that before implementing any new regulations that you would wish to have as much input from the public as possible.

While the FAA has stated that this regulation would only affect air carriers, in fact the thousands of people who ship pets by air will be impacted whether for commercial or private use. These regulations will cause increased administrative cost that will be past on to the consumer and opens the door to invasion of privacy through potential publication of information about these individuals and their pets.

The FAA took more than 2 years to publish the rule – allowing the public only 30 days to respond is clearly unfair and unreasonable. In light of these facts, WWPSA and its member companies would encourage you to take the time necessary to hear from the public so you may make a more informed decision.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely

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